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Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

Survey Report on Operational Training dated 25 May 1951 by

1. To review subject report and recommend action to be taken on it by the Director of Training.

2. Subject report is based upon identification and discussion of three major problems and five subsidiary problems which presently affect covert operational training. These problems are stated in summary fashion and referenced to the report under Tab A attached hereto.

3. The report contains nine recommendations backed up by supporting discussion. Those recommendations are summarized and referenced to the report under Tab E attached hereto.

4. The problems presented by the report, if they do in fact exist, are of such magnitude and in such urgent need of being solved that immediate action by the Director of Training is deemed necessary. Such action is recommended under Section IV below.

5. In view of the fact that covert operations training serves both O/P and O/SC, the covert training facility should be an operating function of the Director of Training, not a part of the organization of either covert office.

6. The Director of Training requires the active assistance and cooperation of the covert offices in resolving covert training problems. He should not be bound by action of an "Executive Board", in such matters, where conceivably he could be outvoted 5-1 in carrying out his assigned responsibilities.

7. Guidance from the covert offices on training policy, doctrine and requirements can be obtained in the normal staff relations between the Office of Training and the covert offices. A full-time Task Force, composed of the DD/TR as Chairman, one highly placed representative of each of the covert offices, with authority to make commitments in the

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name of his AD, and the Chief of the Operations Training Division, O/TR is deemed necessary to work on the problems presented under Tab A (exclusive of paragraph 1, c.).

8. The position, Deputy Director of Training for Covert Operations, DD/TR (c) should be established and filled at the earliest practicable date in order that effective and high level attention can be given to covert training problems.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS

9. That the position of Deputy Director of Training for Covert Operations DD/TR (c) be established in the Office of Training and filled as soon as practicable. (Note: [REDACTED] is recommended for the position.)

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10. That action be taken to transfer the present TRO, its personnel and facilities, including funds, from O/SC to O/TR.

11. That a full-time Task Force be established under chairmanship of the DD/TR (c) to address itself to the problems listed in Tab A (exclusive of paragraph 1, c, Tab A), and that upon completion of this work to remain in being as an Advisory Committee to the D/TR on Covert Operations Training, to meet on call of its Chairman.

12. That the Task Force recommended in paragraph 11 be composed of personnel as indicated in paragraph 8 above.

13. That the DD/TR for Covert Training study and recommend action on paragraph 1, c, Tab A and recommendations G and H of subject report.

14. That, if the above recommendations are approved, the Plans and Policy Staff be directed to initiate the action required to put them into effect.

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